

Sample
Local Disaster Emergency Declaration

_____ County, Indiana

Authority

Whereas, _____ County, Indiana has been impacted by or is immediately threatened by a (natural/technological/national or state security).

(Give date, time, situation assessment and duration of hazard) and;

Now, therefore, we, the _____ County Board of Commissioners, declare that a local disaster emergency exists in the County and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this proclamation, to be in full force and effect in the County for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of the people of this County and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption.

This Declaration was approved by the Board of County Commissioners at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on _____, conducted in accordance with Indiana's Open Door Law or at an emergency meeting of the Board of County Commissioners which complied with the Open Door Law requirements for such an emergency meeting in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-5 (d).

Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances, and resolutions and particularly to Indiana Code 10-14-3-29.

All public offices and employees of _____ County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives—state and local.

All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.

All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the _____ County Emergency Operating Center.

This Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency shall remain effect for _____ days.

In witness, whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

_____ County Board of Commissioners

President

Member

Member

Attest: _____

_____ County Auditor